

## House Resolution 394

By: Representatives Black of the 144<sup>th</sup>, Ray of the 108<sup>th</sup>, Royal of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Sholar of the 141<sup>st</sup>, Post 1, Oliver of the 121<sup>st</sup>, Post 2, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia peanut industry and recognizing March 12, 2003, as Peanut Butter  
2 and Jelly Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, peanuts and peanut products are recognized throughout our nation and the  
4 world as an appetizing and nutritious food, providing protein and other nutrients as part of  
5 a well-balanced diet; and

6 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia leads the United States in peanut production, producing  
7 nearly 40 percent of the total supply in the nation. Further, our state leads the nation in  
8 peanut exports, supplying 30 percent of the U.S. peanut exports, contributing over \$90  
9 million toward our nation's balance of trade; and

10 WHEREAS, peanut production is the largest single cash food row crop in Georgia with  
11 gross farm receipts averaging over \$400 million for the past five years; and

12 WHEREAS, more than 250 Georgia companies engaged in warehousing, processing,  
13 manufacturing, and marketing totally depend on the peanut industry, and hundreds of other  
14 Georgia companies that engage in financing, supplying, distributing, and transporting are  
15 dependent to some extent on the peanut industry; and

16 WHEREAS, the Georgia peanut industry has played a significant role in the economic  
17 growth and prosperity of our state, contributing an estimated \$1 billion to the Georgia  
18 economy and supporting the livelihood of more than 150,000 Georgians.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body commend the peanut industry for its outstanding contributions to  
21 the economic health of the State of Georgia and recognize March 12, 2003, as Peanut Butter  
22 and Jelly Day at the Capitol.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Peanut
- 3 Producers Association.